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Dear Senator Stevens:

Thank you for your letter of December 3 on behalf of your constituent, [ ] concerning the imprisonment in Argentina of Dr. Jose Pargament.

The Department of State and our Embassy in Buenos Aires have been aware of Dr. Pargament's disappearance for some time. Despite repeated inquiries by our Embassy in Buenos Aires, we have been unable to determine his whereabouts or welfare. However, we again will ask our Embassy in Buenos Aires to follow-up on his case with an inquiry to the Argentine Foreign Ministry's Working Group on Human Rights.

Be assured that we remain concerned about the human rights situation and take every opportunity to press the Argentina Government for improvements in this area.

Sincerely,

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